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Ms. Barbara Gontz
Pennsylvania Intergovernmental Council
P.O. Box 11880
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17108-1880

Dear Ms. Gontz:

This letter notifies you of a proposed Superfund project to be funded by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The project is subject to the State intergovernmental review process. The sixty (60) day comment period on this proposed action will begin five (5) days after the date of this letter. Please address any comments on the proposed action to:

Francisco Barba
PA CERCLA Remedial Enforcement Section (3HW12)
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
841 Chestnut Bldg.
Philadelphia, PA 19107

Telephone (215) 597-8309

The proposed project is outlined below:

1. Site Name: Eastern Diversified Metals Site
2. Location of Site: Hometown, Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania
3. Site Rank: This site has been proposed for addition to the National Priorities List (40 C.F.R. Part 300, Appendix B) established by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (P.L. 96-510).
4. Nature of the Problem: Numerous hazardous substances have been identified in the ground water, surfacewater, soils, and sediments onsite, as well as in the leachate produced by a waste pile of degrading wire insulation materials. The primary concern is contamination of ground water and the Little Schuylkill River. Ground water is a primary source of drinking water available to the local population.

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5. Description of Proposed Activities: This project will consist of a Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study, meeting the requirements of Section 300.68 of the National Oil and Hazardous Substance Contingency Plan (40 C.F.R. Part 300). The project will include definition of the nature and extent of the problem at the site, characterization of the hazardous substances present, a hydrogeological investigation, soils and sediments analysis, a surface water investigation, an air investigation, the development of remedial response objectives, the identification of remedial action alternatives, evaluation of the alternatives, an environmental assessment of the alternatives, cost analyses, recommendation of a cost-effective remedial alternative, conceptual design of the proposed alternative, and community relations activities.

EPA will attempt to negotiate with responsible parties for the performance of the above mentioned activities. If negotiations are not successful, EPA will initiate work as described in this letter.

6. Community Relations Activities: Community relations activities will be conducted as part of this project to inform and receive input from public officials and the affected community. These will include preparing a community relations plan, holding public meetings, organizing press conferences and workshops, distributing press releases, speaking to concerned citizen's groups, preparing fact sheets, and establishing a community relations repository.

7. Established Cost: approximately \$750,000, to be 100 percent funded by the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

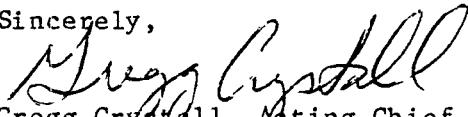
8. Projected Start Date: August 1987

9. Projected Completion Date: February 1989

10. State Project Officer: Mr. Gary Schaefer
Pennsylvania Department of Environmental
Resources
(717) 621-3118

As I have indicated above, you will have sixty (60) days after receipt of this letter to submit your comments. However, I would very much appreciate hearing from you at the earliest possible time so that we can proceed with the project without any delays. If you have any questions about the proposed project, please contact EPA's Project Officer, listed above.

Sincerely,


Gregg Crystall, Acting Chief
PA CERCLA Remedial Enforcement Section

Attachment

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Pennsylvania Intergovernmental Review Process

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NOTICE OF RECEIPT

From: Single Point of Contact
P.O. Box 11880
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(717) 783-3700

To: FRANCISCO BARBA
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SECTION (3HW12)
U.S. ENVIRON. PROTECTION AGENCY
841 CHESTNUT BUILDING
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19107

SAI Number : 87-00811
Project Title: EASTERN DIVERSIFIED METALS SITE PROJECT-SCHUYLKILL
Federal Program: HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE RESPONSE TRUST FUND

CFDA No: F66.802

We have received your federal assistance project for intergovernmental review and possible comment. The State Application Identifier (SAI) number listed above has been assigned to your project. All future correspondence concerning this project must include the SAI number to accurately identify the project.

Copies of your project will be distributed to those agencies having an interest in reviewing it. One or more of these agencies may contact you if they require additional information, clarification, materials, or wish to discuss the project with you. Upon completion of the review, we will notify you of the final results. You should receive such notification NO LATER THAN:

AUGUST 2, 1987

IMPORTANT NOTE: This project may require permits or additional review by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources. If this project has the potential to impact the environment, or if you have any questions concerning environmental requirements, please contact the following DER Regional Office:

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES
WILKES-BARRE REGIONAL OFFICE
90 EAST UNION STREET, 2ND FLOOR
WILKES-BARRE, PA 18701
(717)826-2511

Name: SANDRA L. KLINE
Special Assistant

Signed:

Sandra L. Kline

Date: 6/03/87

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